

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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November 21, 2002

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE CALABASAS CREEK, ALISO CREEK, AND EAST CANYON CHANNEL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 3 3 VOTES

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Authorize Public Works to encumber an additional \$6,000 to the existing Calabasas Creek, Aliso Creek, and East Canyon Channel Landscape Maintenance contract. This is necessary to provide median landscape maintenance work on the newly accepted landscaped median on Ridge Route Road from Lake Hughes Road to Castaic Lake Drive in the Castaic area. All work to be under the current terms of the existing contract.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of this action is to have your Board approve the additional work which will provide for median landscaping services at a specific location along Ridge Route Road. The additional work to this contract is a part of our commitment to beautify these right of ways which are viewable to the public.

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Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action is consistent with the County's Strategic Plan Goal of Organizational Effectiveness. The proposed additional work of this contract will improve internal operations through the utilization of this contractor's expertise to effectively provide these services in a timely and effective manner, as well as improve the quality of life in the County.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The requested additional amount of \$6,000 represents the contractor's costs to perform the requested work, and will cover a seven month period at which time a new contract for the newly accepted landscaped median area will be implemented.

Funds are available in Road Maintenance Division's 2002-03 budget to cover the cost of this additional work. There will be no impact on net County cost.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The existing contract has been properly executed by the contractor and approved by County Counsel as to form.

Public Works has evaluated and determined that the Living Wage Program (County Code Chapter 2.201) does not apply to this recommended contract, which is for non-Proposition A services, as these services are required on a part-time and intermittent basis.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

With respect to requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act, these landscaping services are categorically exempt as specified in Class 1 (e), (j), and (s) of the Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, Synopsis 57.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

The existing contractor has fully complied with all previously set requirements under the contract.

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IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The proposed additional work under the existing contract will not affect County personnel, as these services are required on a part-time and intermittent basis.

CONCLUSION

Please return one approved copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES A. NOYES Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office

County Counsel